

Huron-Manistee National Forests
Tawas Ranger District
Private Road Use Change of Ownership and New Authorization Request
December, 2010

The Huron-Manistee National Forests, Tawas Ranger District, received a request for change of ownership regarding the authorization of an existing unclassified forest road to private property. The previous owner, Kempe family, requests termination of their authorization dated October 10, 2003. The new owners, Michael and Kaye Duika, request the same authorization as the Kempes that included legal, year-round use and maintenance of the road and gate. The unclassified road is closed to public vehicles beyond the gate, but foot-travel is allowed. The unclassified road is 20 feet by approximately 1,320 feet or 0.61 acres located in NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, section 28, T24N, R5E, Michigan Meridian, Plainfield Township, Iosco County, Michigan.

The road would continue to be maintained at a level 2-3 that encourages high clearance to passenger vehicles. Maintenance would include grading, cleaning ditches, spot graveling, brushing vegetation, and snowplowing. A new authorization would be issued for legal access to the private parcel for the remainder of the existing authorization terminating October 9, 2033. An annual rental fee will be charged for the authorization because the Duikas do not qualify for a fee waiver.

This new proposal is an administrative action and does not increase the scope or intensity of the original authorized activities.

If you have any comments or additional information regarding this project please contact Pat Thompson, at the Mio Ranger District, 107 McKinley Road, Mio, Michigan 48647, (989) 826-3252, TTY - (989) 826-3592.